

## Federal Acquisition Regulation

## 45.611

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### 45.609 Donations.

(a) Property may be donated only after it has been determined to be surplus following appropriate utilization screening. The donation of surplus property to an authorized donee is subordinate to any need for property by a Federal agency.

(b) The GSA is responsible for making necessary arrangements for donation screening of serviceable property during the last 15 days of the 90-day screening period.

(c) Items that have been selected for donation shall not be retained longer than 42 calendar days from the surplus release date. The plant clearance officer shall authorize release to the eligible donees immediately upon receipt of GSA approval and shipping instructions. If approval and shipping instructions, including provision for payment of all costs incident to donation, are not received within the 42-day period, the property shall be otherwise disposed of as surplus. All costs incident to donation that are not the responsibility of the contractor shall be borne by the donee.

(d) Agencies having a current essential requirement may withdraw property undergoing donation screening. In all other cases, property may be withdrawn only after GSA concurrence.

### 45.610 Sale of surplus contractor inventory.

#### 45.610-1 Responsibility.

(a) The Administrator, GSA, exercises general supervision and direction over the disposition of surplus personal property, including sales of surplus contractor inventory. Policy and procedures for sales of contractor inventory are contained in the Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR) 41 CFR part 101-45. Sales of contractor inventory under the control of the Department of Defense are conducted in accordance with the DOD Supplement to the FAR.

(b) Reportable property submitted to GSA on SF 120 for utilization screening and not otherwise transferred or donated will automatically be programmed for sale by the GSA regional office.

(c) All other property requiring sale shall be reported to GSA on SF 126, Report of Personal Property for Sale, and in accordance with any additional instructions provided by the GSA regional office cognizant of the location where the property is physically located.

#### 45.610-2 Exemptions from sale by GSA.

(a) Agency heads may seek exemptions from the Administrator, GSA, by submitting a letter explaining the impairment or adverse effect of sale by GSA and justifying the need for the exemption.

(b) GSA regional offices may authorize sale by the reporting activity of perishable items or small lots of limited-value property at isolated locations.

#### 45.610-3 Proceeds of sale.

Proceeds of any sale are to be credited to the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts, except where the contract or any subcontract thereunder authorizes the proceeds to be credited to the price or cost of the work (40 U.S.C. 485(a) and (e)).

#### 45.610-4 Contractor inventory in foreign countries.

Contractor inventory located in foreign countries shall be sold or disposed of in accordance with agency procedures (see 40 U.S.C. 511-514).

#### 45.611 Destruction or abandonment.

(a) Surplus property may be destroyed or abandoned only after every effort has been made to dispose of it by other authorized methods. Before authorizing destruction or abandonment, the plant clearance officer shall determine in writing that—

(1) The property has no commercial value and no value to the Government;

(2) The estimated cost of care and handling is greater than the probable sale price; or

(3) Because of its nature, the property constitutes a danger to public health, safety, or welfare.

(b) Unless permitted by the contract, no contractor inventory shall be abandoned on the contractor's premises without the contractor's written consent.

(c) Surplus property for which a determination has been made under subparagraph (a)(1) or (2) above may, however, be donated to public bodies in lieu of abandonment or destruction. All costs incident to donation shall be borne by the donee.

#### **45.612 Removal and storage.**

##### **45.612-1 General.**

Contractor inventory shall be removed from the contractor's premises as soon as possible to preclude storage expenses.

##### **45.612-2 Special storage at the contractor's risk.**

When the contractor finds it necessary to remove property from the premises before expiration of the plant clearance period, the contractor may, with the concurrence of the plant clearance officer, store property in a warehouse or other storage location on or off the contractor's premises. Storage shall in no way modify the contractor's responsibility for the property. The expense of storage, including any cost incident to the transportation to and from the storage area, shall normally be borne by the contractor and shall not be charged directly or indirectly to Government contracts unless the contracting officer determines that the storage is for the convenience of the Government.

##### **45.612-3 Special storage at the Government's expense.**

(a) Contractor inventory may be stored at the Government's expense only when the contracting officer determines that it should be retained in storage for anticipated use.

(b) When the plant clearance officer recommends that the contracting office execute a storage agreement with the contractor, the request shall be accompanied with adequate data to justify the agreement (e.g., property to be

stored, storage period, and cost to the Government).

(c) If the contractor will not agree to storage on its premises, the plant clearance officer shall submit adequate information to permit a decision by the contracting office for storage on a Government or commercial facility (e.g., storage space required; necessary packing, crating, and shipping services; and information as to available Government or commercial storage facilities in the local area).

#### **45.613 Property disposal determinations.**

Written determinations supporting abandonment, destruction, or other appropriate disposition shall be made by the plant clearance officer and reviewed by an appropriate reviewing authority within the agency.

#### **45.614 Subcontractor inventory.**

(a) The disposal policies and procedures in this subpart are applicable to contractor inventory in the possession of subcontractors, except inventory under terminated subcontracts for which the termination contracting officer has authorized the prime contractor to conclude settlements (see 49.108-4).

(b) Subcontractors in all tiers shall prepare inventory schedules in accordance with the requirements of this subpart. Forms prescribed for use by prime contractors may be used by subcontractors, but their use is not required if substantially equivalent information is provided. Subcontractor inventory and any disposal recommendations (including scrap recommendations) shall be reported through the next-higher-tier subcontractor to the contractor, who is responsible for reporting property to the cognizant plant clearance officer. The prime contractor and each subcontractor are responsible for review and approval of inventory schedules submitted by their respective next-lower-tier subcontractors. This includes review and, if necessary, physical survey of subcontractor inventory that is contained in a termination settlement proposal to assure that it is physically, technically, and quantitatively allocable to the contract, and cannot be